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1. FOLLOWING IS DRAFT RESOLUTION BRAZILIAN DEL HAS
REQUESTED US CO-SPONSOR.

2. QUOTE. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

RECALLING RESOLUTION 1768 (LIV), OF 18 MAY 1973,
ON RATIONALIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE ECONOMIC AND
SOCIAL COUNCIL, UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL,

BEARING IN MIND THE NEED TO GIVE PRACTICAL
MEANING TO THE EFFORTS TO REVITALIZE THE COUNCIL AND
REORGANIZE ITS ACTIVITIES, AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE
ABOVE-MENTIONED RESOLUTION,

CONVINCED THAT THE STREAMLINING OF THE COUNCIL'S
PROGRAMME OF WORK AND AGENDA IS ESSENTIAL IN ORDER TO
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ACHIEVE A MORE RATIONAL CONSIDERATION OF SUBSTANTIVE

ISSUES, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND REDUCE THE VOLUME OF DOCUMENTATION AND, MORE GENERALLY, TO ENHANCE THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTIONAL ROLE AND FUNCTIONS;

DECIDES:

1. THAT IN THE FUTURE THE AGENDA OF EACH OF THE TWO REGULAR SESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF NOT MORE THAN FIFTEEN SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, INCLUDING ITEMS RELATING TO REPORTS OF SUBSIDIARY ORGANS OF THE COUNCIL AND RELATED BODIES, EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF ITEMS AND ISSUES ON WHICH PRIORITY ACTION BY THE COUNCIL BE SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY;

2. THAT ONLY TWO SESSIONAL COMMITTEES SHALL FUNCTION AT EACH REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNCIL;

3. THAT THE PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE ORGANIZED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT ALL SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS BE CONSIDERED DURING ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE YEAR AND THAT ALL CO-ORDINATION QUESTIONS BE CONSIDERED DURING ITS SECOND REGULAR SESSION; END QUOTE

3. US DEL SEES NO HARM, NO GOOD TO RESOL. WE BELIEVE LIMIT OF 15 ITEMS PER SESSION DESIRABLE, BUT DOUBT WHETHER IT CAN BE IMPLEMENTED. DISTRIBUTION OF ITEMS BETWEEN FIRST AND SECOND REGULAR SESSION IS SUPPOSED TO BE IN EFFECT NOW. HOWEVER, THERE HAS BEEN SLIPPAGE--BUT AGAIN--NO HARM IN GIVING IT ANOTHER COLLEGE TRY.

4. WE COMMENTED NO MENTION MADE OF ECONOMIC ITEMS. HOWEVER, IT SEEMS THEY WILL BE INCLUDED IN AGENDA BOTH SESSIONS AS NECESSARY.

5. UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE US WILL NOT OPPOSE RESOLUTION AND DEPENDING UPON EXTENT INVOLVEMENT OF FRAZAO (PRESIDENT) AS PERSONAL INIATIVE AND IF IT WILL BUY MILEAGE WITH HIM US DEL MAY CO-SPONSOR.
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